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SALES OF SECOND DAY SUCCEED IN CLEANING FLOOR

Not a Stock or Leaf Left at Bohmer's Warehouse at Close This Morning.

Farmers' Union May Decide to Erect Factory.

MEETING WILL BE HELD SOON

Well pleased the purchases made yesterday at the first loose leaf tobacco sales conducted at Bohmer's tobacco warehouse, buyers eagerly snapped up every basket of tobacco offered this morning at prices that were evidently satisfactory to the growers present to smelt their approval as each sale was made.

Owing to the favorable weather for the handling tobacco, less than 20,000 pounds were offered, but the prices, considering the quality of the tobacco, were considered fair, an average of 6 1/2 cents per pound.

A good lot of tobacco on the floor today was the cured, some of it on the stalk, it was bought by Mr. Vernon Morris representing the French government (Smith & Scott), local manufacturers also bought some of this grade tobacco. Considerable interest was manifested in this tobacco because its close resemblance to the leaf tobacco. The burley district is experimenting with the grade as a substitute for burley, by sending sales to eastern manufacturers. Tobacco was grown in Livingston county, and sold for \$2.50 per 100 lbs on the stalk, which was considered a good price by the grower, so was present.

Dark tobacco offerings sold to Stahl & company, representing the Italian government, at 8 cents, and small grades to the American Snuff company at 3 to 8 cents.

Robert F. Farmer, for W. A. Martin & company; W. Kennedy & company, T. J. Wright and other interests were present at the sales today.

The loose method of doing and selling tobacco is an innovation in this district and it is believed will grow in popularity as it is understood and the benefits realized by the farmer and buyer. Undoubtedly the quickest way for loading tobacco and gives the farmer an opportunity to get the most for the crop in the shortest time.

Growers will bring tobacco to the warehouse on their own and it is put on baskets, which about 600 pounds each. The tobacco is placed on the baskets, being graded, leaf being put on basket, bags on another, etc. Only crop is on a basket. The baskets are arranged in rows and when the buyer takes up the tobacco in rotation, similar to the old on the "brakes."

On each basket is a placard showing the number of pounds in basket and the owner's number, which the buyer is given a duplicate when the sale is made. After the buyer has knocked the tobacco to the highest bidder, the grower he accepts the bid, tears off his name number and carries it to the warehouse and gets a check for the money. The buyer always settles with the warehouse, thus saving delays. The grower's name is not called for the sale.

The great advantage to the farmer is the competition the sale affords and the manner of handling the tobacco that the grower knows exactly what is in the crop and consequently does not buy at a margin under the market price to protect him from loss.

Many inquiries have been made as to the manner of conducting these sales from all over western Kentucky and with a few days of warm weather, tobacco will be coming in in great quantities and ready sale will find no great deal to every business in Paducah.

The officers of the warehouse are C. W. Bohmer, president and general manager; A. J. C. Bohmer, assistant manager; Augustus Volker, floor manager; and A. J. Bohmer, warehouse purposes, but Perry, auctioneer. Mr. Perry's commission is paid to be the best heard in Paducah and was the subject of much comment by the brokers, who remember the old "breakers" when the grower was called out "6.60 go 70, 70 80."

Farmers' Union Factory. Another new step for the Farmers' Union will be discussed at the meeting of the state board, which will be held in Paducah December 16, when the officers will discuss the advisability of erecting a plant for the

President's Message, Received by Congress Today, Discusses All the Policies For Which He Has Stood

Regulation of Trusts and Common Carriers, Labor Laws, Proper Distribution of Liability For Accident.

Washington, Dec. 8. (Special.)—Office James is slated for a place on the ways and means committee. It is a big promotion.

Presidential Nominations. Washington, Dec. 8.—President Roosevelt sent the following nominations to the senate: Luke E. Wright, secretary of war; Truman Newberry, secretary of the navy; Herbert Satterlee, assistant secretary of the navy; Daniel Keefe, commissioner of immigration; Rufus Thayer, judge of the United States court in China; Wade Ellis, assistant attorney general.

President's Message. Washington, Dec. 8.—In his message to congress, read to the two houses, the president said:

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Hickman's New Library. Judge E. W. Bagby received a letter from General H. A. Tyler, of Hickman, that construction work on the new public library had been started. He wrote that the citizens were enthusiastic about the building, and that a fund of \$1,000 had been collected, to which General Tyler added \$1,000, as a fund for a book room.

Board of Control Berth

The tip is out that the appointment to a place on the state board of control will go to either Col. Mike Griffin, of Paducah, or Judge A. J. G. Wells, of Calloway county. Both men have strong endorsements and the appointment of either will meet with favor in western Kentucky. Dr. O. R. Kidd, of Paducah, is also mentioned for the place.

SCHOOL TEACHER EXONERATED OF CHARGE OF CRUELTY BY COUNTY DIVISIONAL BOARD

Trout in the Oak Grove school came to a head yesterday when the divisional school board met to hear charges of cruelty against the teacher, Edward Finley, and of misconduct against the trustee, J. S. Graham. Finley was exonerated, but the hearing of the trustee's case was postponed until Saturday, December 19. It is claimed that the trustee took too active interest in the charges against the teacher and was spreading reports calculated to disrupt the school.

Friends of both sides crowded the school house yesterday and considerable feeling was manifested on both sides.

Manufacture of tobacco. Should the board decide to establish the factory the union would take the raw product from the farmer and place it on the market as a finished product. Members of the union believe that this could be done and make the union of much more benefit to the farmers.

Over the location of the plant there would probably be a scramble, with Paducah standing a chance for the location of the plant. Grand Rivers, where the store house of the union is located, also is spoken of as desirable for a location.

State Secretary R. L. Barnett will leave Thursday for his old home, Winchesboro, Tex., on a ten days' business trip.

May Have New Warehouse. Paducah may have a new warehouse for the purpose of handling tobacco. If the deal is made it will mean the bringing of much foreign money to the city. Mr. W. G. Dunn, of Paducah, Va., and Mr. Thomas Hodge, of Henderson, both prominent tobacco buyers for foreign governments, left the city today at 11 o'clock, after visiting various buildings.

For the past several years the tobacco buyers have had warehouses in the city or small towns, where the tobacco was purchased from the grower, and then shipped away. However, voice called out "6.60 go 70, 70 80."

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RECEIVER CLAIMS MILLION AND HALF CANNOT BE FOUND

New York, Dec. 8.—Developments show the failure of the Fidelity Funding company was much more extensive than at first indicated. Losses are estimated at \$1,500,000. Receiver Gilroy says \$1,500,000 is not accounted for in the books. It is reported that criminal prosecutions are coming. St. Mary's Academy, Nauvoo, Ill., is reported to have been bankrupt through dealings with the company. Gilroy announced he will sue prominent bankers of Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago and other cities to recover alleged illegal bonuses paid on loans by the Fidelity company. Creditors of the company are scattered all over the country. Gilroy is trying to locate all before settling the affairs.

Calls Gilroy a Liar. Washington, Dec. 8.—P. J. Kieran, former president of the Fidelity company, declares the company is solvent. He denounces Gilroy's statements of bad condition as lies.

Defective Flue. A defective flue at the residence of Andrew Epperheimer, 1522 Trimble street, caused a small roof fire this morning at 10 o'clock. Hose company No. 3 and truck company No. 4 responded and extinguished the blaze with a loss of about \$10.

Land Fraud Cases

Washington, Dec. 8.—Frederick A. Hyde, a millionaire of San Francisco, a real estate operator, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine. Joseph H. Schneider, of Tucson, Ariz., was sentenced to 14 months and \$1,000 fine. The men were convicted of land frauds. The defendants will appeal.

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The charges against Professor Pinchley arose out of his whipping Ellis Beasley and Will Putrell. It was claimed by the teacher that the boys, after being warned to desist under pain of a whipping, threw green walnuts at Herbert Hunt and Guy Marshall, and struck the latter. It was established that the whipping was not cruelly severe, and the board exonerated the teacher.

It seems that this occurrence was not the only thing to breed ill feeling in the school, and Finley's friends declare that the trustee is trying to oust Finley.

Superintendent Billington and six members of the board were present at the hearing.

Cochrans Come in "Outing." J. M. and E. B. Cochran, well known sportsmen of Lexington, are here on their annual outing shooting ducks and quail. The Cochrans are brewers at Lexington and noted wing shots. They came from Frankfort by river in their launch "Outing."

MYSTERY HEDGES MANNER OF DEATH OF ST. LOUIS MAN

St. Louis, Dec. 8.—Francis D. Hirschberg, a leading insurance man and a director of the world's fair, was mysteriously shot and killed at his home at 6 o'clock this morning. The bullet passed through his head. Relatives insist it is murder and think a burglar shot him. The police intimate suicide. From the trail of blood, Hirschberg apparently was on the front stairway when shot. His wife was awakened when he walked through her room. He could not talk on account of the wound. He died shortly afterward without a statement.

Police this afternoon assert that Hirschberg's death was suicide. The coroner found powder marks on the face, showing the bullet was fired at close range. Barrett Frost, a nephew identified the revolver, which was found near Hirschberg's. He had recently complained that business was unsatisfactory.

MANY STATES ARE REPRESENTED BY THEIR GOVERNORS

National Conservation Congress in Session at Washington

Rivers and Harbors Congress Meets Tomorrow.

SOUTH'S COMMERCIAL CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 8.—Governors from many states and hundreds of prominent men of various sections are attending the general conservation conference this afternoon. Roosevelt and Taft and Governor Chamberlain, of Oregon, are the principal speakers.

The conference will last several days. The whole subject of conservation will be covered. Chamberlain in his speech advocated the policy of giving the federal government absolute control of streams, forests and mineral resources. He urged an interstate conservation commission with wide powers.

The southern commercial congress attended. This body will complete its permanent organization tonight and arrange to hold annual meetings.

Washington, Dec. 8.—That the fifth annual convention of the national rivers and harbors congress, which will convene here on Wednesday, will be the largest in the history of the organization, is assured. Two thousand delegates were present at the congress a year ago, but this year the indications are that this number will be doubled and that every section of the country will have delegates present to give emphasis to the platform of the organization, "a policy and not a project," toward the waterways of the republic.

Cardinal Gibbons will deliver the invocation at the opening session on Wednesday morning, after which Vice President Fairbanks will welcome the delegates and incidentally speak in behalf of a comprehensive policy for waterway improvement.

According to a statement given out by officers of the organization it is expected that President Roosevelt will take a pronounced stand in favor of improving the waterways of the country in his message to congress. At the opening session Ambassador Bryce will deliver an address upon the improvement of water highways on the British Isles, with some reference to the waterway policy of Germany. Ambassador Nabuco will speak of the achievements in developing the rivers and harbors of Brazil.

Canada will be represented by two delegates under appointment of Premier Wilfred Laurier, Secretaries Garfield and Wilson will represent the president's cabinet; Speaker Cannon, Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, and Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, the legislative branch of the government.

Among those who will address the convention are Andrew Carnegie, James W. Van Cleave, president of the National Association of Manufacturers; Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor; J. Horace McFarland, president of the National Civic Federation; F. E. Skene, chief engineer of the Erie canal commission; Major J. A. Ockerson, of the Mississippi river commission; Capt. Isaac M. Mason, of St. Louis, for many years president of the St. Louis and New Orleans Anchor Line, and one of the oldest steamboatmen living, and James Rawlings, of Memphis, Tenn., who will represent the National Commercial Travelers' association. Half a dozen governors of states also will deliver addresses.

Washington, Dec. 8.—With prophetic of almost unparalleled economic and commercial advancement near at hand for the south, an initial movement for still greater development of the natural resources in that section was formally inaugurated at a meeting here of the Southern Commercial congress. Some reasons advanced by the speakers as to why the south has not made greater progress in the development of its resources were that that section had suffered to a marked degree because of the lack of adequate transportation facilities. A factor which had prevented better railroad transportation facilities, it was pointed out, had been the alleged hostility of some legislatures in the southern states to the railroads. But changed sentiment had come, railroads were planning for increased facilities and with improved waterways and harbors nothing stood in the way of greater progress.

Secretary of Commerce and Labor Strauss in his speech referred to the sectionalism of the south, but declared that commercial progress was being made, and that the time was near at hand when even po-

Postmaster at Folsomdale and His Clerk Arrested on Indictment in Federal Court by Deputy Marshal

Charged With Defrauding Government in Their Quarterly Report—Friends Say They Are Not Guilty.

W. H. Wyatt, postmaster of the postoffice at Folsomdale, and W. W. Harper, a clerk in the office, were arrested last night by Elwood Neel, deputy United States marshal, on a charge of felony. The men were indicted by the federal grand jury. It is alleged that they defrauded the government out of money in making quarterly reports. Their friends insist that they are innocent. Before Armour Gardner, United States commissioner, they gave a bond of \$500 each this morning for their appearance before the federal court in April. The grand jury in Paducah failed to indict the men, but the witnesses were taken to Owensboro and at the term of court there the indictment was issued.

Funeral of Mrs. Anna Moore. The funeral and burial of Mrs. Anna Moore, 65 years old, of Barlow, took place yesterday at Hickory Grove, Graves county, which was her home. Mrs. Moore died Sunday morning, after a long illness. Her son, Mr. Ose Moore, returned to his home today.

Cairo's Delegation. A delegation of 20 representative Cairo citizens headed by Mayor Parsons, arrived in the city last night en route to Washington to attend the National Harbors and Rivers congress. The party were traveling in a special car, which was decorated with banners. The party left on the midnight train for Louisville.

Filling Application Blanks. City employees on the fire and police departments are busy answering questions on the application blanks that the board of police and fire commissioners adopted. Besides answering many questions relative to habits and qualifications the applicants, as well as the present employees, have to undergo a medical examination, and then make affidavit before City Clerk Maurice McIntyre. The commissioners will meet next Monday night. A majority of the firemen and police have filled out the application blanks.

Palmer Boys' Paper

Chicago, Dec. 8.—It is reported that Mrs. Potter Palmer is negotiating for the purchase of a morning newspaper. She plans establishing her sons, Potter and Honor, in the newspaper field. It is understood that H. H. Kohlsaat will have charge of the paper.

More Men on Road

The first of the new year the E. E. Sutherland Medicine company will increase its traveling force 20 per cent, traveling the men out of the city. The firm will not invade any new territory, but will relieve some of the men of the present force from covering such large territories. Most of the new strength will be used in the northern states. The additional traveling salesmen will make the employment of a few more workers in the factory necessary in order to bottle and pack the medicine.

Rescue Mission Xmas

Christmas will be observed appropriately at the Rescue Mission, 431 Trimble street, and the Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Childs have begun work already collecting donations for the dinner. Dinner for all of the deserving poor will be served at the mission, and baskets filled with delicacies will be distributed among the sick. The Christmas tree will be the usual feature this year and toys and clothing will be given away by Santa Claus, who will make a special trip to the mission.

This is the eleventh Christmas observed by the mission and it is the intention to make it a merry one for the poor. Last summer the usual summer outing was not given owing to the lack of funds, and the workers are determined to make up for this with the Christmas dinner. All old garments and other useful articles that are contributed to the mission will be called for by letting the Rev. Mr. Childs know of the intention.

It is really it will be a misnomer to speak of the solid south.

At the morning session the principal addresses were by Secretary of War Wright and Surgeon General Wyman.

The leading speakers at the afternoon session were John A. Fox, of Arkansas, and John F. Wallace, of New York.

HUMAN DISPENSARY. Benton, Ky., Dec. 8. (Special.)—Sheriff Pete Ely's suspicion that Frank Campbell, a negro, was bootlegging whisky to the crowd attending county court, yesterday proved correct, for when Campbell was arrested seven and one-half gallons of "booze" were found on his person. The negro had on an overcoat, which evidently was made especially for his business, the lining being made into one great pocket in which the whisky was stored. The walking saloonist was fined in police court.

Cut Fingers in Sausage Mill. Maxon Mills, Ky., Dec. 8. (Special.)—While grinding sausage late yesterday afternoon Mrs. Bush, Childress caught her right hand in the mill. Two fingers on the hand were lacerated, but Dr. F. V. Kimbrough, who attended, believes that amputation will not be necessary.

Small Residence Fire. Fire companies Nos. 2 and 4 were called to the home of John Zellar, 1376 South Ninth street, last night about 10 o'clock. Fire originated in a pile of clothing in the kitchen, but the firemen extinguished the blaze with little loss. Miss Cora Zellar burned her hands while trying to extinguish the blaze, but the injury is not serious.

Nitroglycerine Lets Go. Webb City, Mo., Dec. 8.—Nitroglycerine tanks at the Independent Powder Mills exploded. One man is known to be dead and several are seriously hurt. The explosion shook the country for a radius of fifteen miles. Windows were broken 20 miles away.

Boys Sent to Reform School. Terry Tucker and Tommy Glenn, two incorrigible white youths, were ordered to the state school of reform at Lexington by Judge Lightfoot at a session of the county court today. Officer Jack Nelson will leave in the morning with the Glenn boy. The sentence of the Tucker boy was suspended for a while on account of the illness of his mother.

REFORM SCHOOL INMATE PLAYS COLLEGE PRANK

Minnie Perkins, who is attending the School of Reform at Lexington, as a charge from McCracken county, figured in a daring escapade at that institution Sunday night. In company with two other girls, dressed in boys' clothing, she escaped through a trap door in the roof of the building. The trio wandered about in the woods until nearly morning when they walked into the Lexington police station and surrendered.

House Burns

Fulton, Ky., Dec. 8. (Special.)—The home of S. C. Hicks, near here, was burned. The loss was \$2,000.

Cotton Gin Report

Washington, Dec. 8.—The census bureau announced that 11,010,864 bales of cotton were ginned December 1, compared with 8,343,396 bales last year. There were 26,922 gineries reported.

Chicago Market.

	May	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat	1.09 1/2	1.07 1/2	1.08 1/2	
Corn	.62 1/2	.61 1/2	.62 1/2	
Oats	.53	.51 1/2	.52 1/2	
Provisions	16.22 1/2	16.07 1/2	16.07 1/2	
Lard	9.42 1/2	9.35	9.35	
Ribs	8.52 1/2	8.45	8.45	

WEATHER.



Fair tonight and Wednesday, warmer tonight. Highest temperature yesterday, 36; lowest today, 24.

STANDARD OIL CO. CLOSES ITS CASE IN COURT HEARING

Archbold Tells About Capital and Assets of Indiana Company.

Still Capitalized at Million Dollars.

JOHN D'S BROTHER DROPPED

New York, Dec. 8.—With John D. Archbold's final appearance as a defense witness and an announcement that William Rockefeller would not be called, although he is under subpoena, the Standard Oil trust closed its side of the case in the federal suit for the dissolution of the combine. The decision not to call William Rockefeller was reached by the trust attorneys today. They think he could add but little from the defense viewpoint to the testimony of John D. Rockefeller and Archbold.

Mr. Archbold was recalled unexpectedly for redirect examination. His attorneys had found stray ends to clear up. First they established that he had been called as a defense witness; this will be used later in trying to establish immunity from criminal prosecution, if such is brought, on the ground that the government did not stay within bounds on cross-examination.

"This is not fair," cried Mr. Archbold, when Mr. Kellogg asked a question indicating that the Standard Oil of Indiana, on a capital of \$1,000,000, had made \$55,000,000 since organization in 1899.

"We had to borrow \$2,000,000 right at the start," said Archbold.

It was shown that this borrowing was not very serious, as the Indiana corporation has \$24,000,000 net asset, while its capitalization is still \$1,000,000.

Henry M. Telford, president of the Standard Oil company of California, was called because government charges that the trust gobbled up the California field contrary to interstate commerce rules. He testified that the oil production of California increased from 4,000,000 in 1900 to 40,000,000 in 1907. In six years the value of the trade went from \$761,000 to \$21,300,000.

"In 1899 you made more than 156 per cent on your capital stock, didn't you?" demanded Mr. Kellogg.

"What has the capital stock to do with the amount invested in the business?" was the return demand of Mr. Rosenthal.

"That capital stock was all you really had invested," said Mr. Kellogg. "The rest was invested profits." The witness "didn't remember."

Tank Cars Best Independents. Mr. Kellogg established that the Continental made a profit of 42 to 44 per cent per annum on its next assets. The witness admitted that the profit per gallon on oil in the Rocky mountain states was larger than in Ohio or Pennsylvania or states where the Standard had competition.

Mr. Kellogg was curious about an alleged contract between the Standard of California and the Union Oil

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Mr. Tully's Success. Mr. Owen Tully, until recently organist at the Grace Episcopal church, has accepted a position as organist at one of the largest Methodist churches in Birmingham, Ala., where he located several weeks ago. Mr. Tully accepted a position at a theater, but last week assisted in a recital at the church. His ability so impressed the members of the congregation that he was offered the position of organist, and he accepted it.

SCHOOL BOARD TO BE APPRISED OF COUNCIL ACTION

Mayor Smith will notify the school board tonight that the general council has adopted the resolution providing that the sanitary connections at the Lee and Lincoln school buildings be made as soon as the contracts can be let. If the school board acquiesces in the order. Dr. H. P. Sights, city health officer, has notified Mayor Smith that since the school board has no money for so extraordinary an expense, if the city does not make the connections the health department will be compelled to proceed as it sees best in the interest of the pupils.

The school trustees will decide on the Christmas vacation and probably pass the monthly pay roll at the meeting tonight.